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General Assembly

Seventy-second session

Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions

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Forthcoming official meetings

General Assembly

Seventy-second session

Intergovernmental conference and its preparatory process to adopt a global compact for safe, orderly and regular migration

Tuesday, 20 February 2018

10:00 to 13:00	Informal consultations (closed)	Trusteeship Council Chamber
15:00 to 18:00	Informal consultations (closed)	Trusteeship Council Chamber

Informal consultations on the Global Compact for Safe, Orderly and Regular Migration

A letter from the President of the General Assembly, dated 5 February 2018, was sent to all permanent representatives and permanent observers.

Wednesday, 21 February 2018

10:00 to 13:00	[webcast]	Trusteeship Council Chamber
15:00 to 18:00	[webcast]	Trusteeship Council Chamber

Preparatory process for the international conference to adopt a global compact for safe, orderly and regular migration (*click here*)

Fourth informal interactive multi-stakeholder hearing

A letter from the President of the General Assembly, dated 26 January 2018, was sent to all permanent representatives and permanent observers.

Thursday, 22 February 2018

09:00		Conference Room 4

Consultations with stakeholders convened by the co-facilitators to lead the intergovernmental consultations and negotiations on issues related to the Global Compact for Safe, Orderly and Regular Migration

Thursday, 22 February 2018

10:00 to 13:00	Informal consultations (closed)	Conference Room 4
15:00 to 18:00	Informal consultations (closed)	Conference Room 4

On the Global Compact for Safe, Orderly and Regular Migration

A letter from the President of the General Assembly, dated 5 February 2018, was sent to all permanent representatives and permanent observers.

Friday, 23 February 2018

10:00 to 13:00	Informal consultations (closed)	Economic and Social Council Chamber
15:00 to 18:00	Informal consultations (closed)	Economic and Social Council Chamber

On the Global Compact for Safe, Orderly and Regular Migration

A letter from the President of the General Assembly, dated 5 February 2018, was sent to all permanent representatives and permanent observers.

Ad Hoc Working Group on the Revitalization of the Work of the General Assembly

Tuesday, 20 February 2018

15:00 to 18:00 1st meeting [webcast] Conference Room 4

Report of the Secretary-General (A/72/736)

Delegations wishing to inscribe on the list of speakers are invited to contact the General Assembly Affairs Branch (galindo@un.org; 212-963-5307).

A letter from the President of the General Assembly, dated 19 January 2018, was sent to all permanent representatives and permanent observers.

Delegations wishing to circulate their statements electronically through the PaperSmart Portal should send a copy of the statement at least one hour in advance of delivery. PDF format is preferred.

Special Committee on the Charter of the United Nations and on the Strengthening of the Role of the Organization

Tuesday, 20 February 2018

10:00 to 13:00 Conference Room 3

The Special Committee on the Charter of the United Nations and on the Strengthening of the Role of the Organization will hold its 2018 session from 20 to 28 February 2018.

The provisional agenda for the session is available on the website of the Special Committee (A/AC.182/L.147).

Other relevant documents for the session will also be posted on the website.

The list of speakers for the general debate, to be held on 20 February 2018, is *open*.

Delegations are urged to contact the secretariat of the Special Committee if they wish to be inscribed on the list.

In accordance with General Assembly resolution 50/52 of 11 December 1995, the Special Committee is open to all States Members of the United Nations.

Delegations that have not yet submitted the names of their representatives, alternates and advisers are invited to inform the secretariat of the Sixth Committee (6thcommittee@un.org).

Please note that only scanned copies of notes verbales will be accepted by e-mail.

Disarmament Commission

Wednesday, 21 February 2018

10:00 to 13:00 Conference Room 1

Organizational session (A/CN.10/L.79 and A/CN.10/L.80)

Contacts: Mr. Alexander Lomaia, Secretary of the Commission (lomaia@un.org); Ms. Christa Giles, Deputy-Secretary of the Commission (giles@un.org), Ms. Lidija Komatina (komatina@un.org) and Mr. Martin Vrastiak (vrastiak@un.org).

Special Committee on the Situation with regard to the Implementation of the Declaration on the Granting of Independence to Colonial Countries and Peoples

Thursday, 22 February 2018

15:00 to 18:00 1st plenary meeting [webcast] Conference Room 1

Permanent missions are kindly requested to communicate to the secretariat of the Special Committee the names of the representative(s) who will participate in the work of the Special Committee in 2018. States not members of the Special Committee and organizations/entities with observer status in the General Assembly that wish to send observers to the 2018 session of the Special Committee should send a request (scanned note verbale) to the secretariat (Mr. Irfan Soomro, soomroi@un.org) (A/AC.109/2018/L.1 and A/AC.109/2018/L.2).

Ad Hoc Working Group of the Whole on the Regular Process for Global Reporting and Assessment of the State of the Marine Environment, including Socioeconomic Aspects
Tenth Meeting

Wednesday, 28 February 2018

10:00 to 13:00 Conference Room 4

15:00 to 18:00 Conference Room 4

Thursday, 1 March 2018

10:00 to 13:00 Conference Room 4

15:00 to 18:00 Conference Room 4

Pursuant to paragraph 330 of General Assembly resolution 72/73, the Ad Hoc Working Group of the Whole will hold 2 meetings in 2018.

The tenth Meeting will be held from Wednesday, 28 February 2018 to Thursday, 1 March 2018. The purpose of this Meeting is to approve the outline of the second world ocean assessment.

More information is available on the website of the Division for Ocean Affairs and the Law of the Sea, Office of Legal Affairs (*click here*).

Delegations wishing to inscribe their names on the list of speakers are invited to contact the Division, indicating in particular whether speaking on behalf of a Group of States (Ms. Vita Onwuasoanya (onwuasoanya@un.org) and Ms. Elena Temnova (temnova@un.org)).

Delegations that have not done so are kindly reminded to submit the names of their representatives participating in the meeting, to the Division for Ocean Affairs and the Law of the Sea, by Friday, 23 February 2018.

The eleventh meeting will be held on Thursday, 23 and Friday, 24 August 2018.

Commission on the Limits of the Continental Shelf
Forty-sixth session

Monday, 5 to Friday, 9 March 2018

10:00 to 13:00	Plenary meeting (closed)	Conference Room 6
15:00 to 18:00	Plenary meeting (closed)	Conference Room 6

There will be closed meetings of the subcommissions established by the Commission on the Limits of the Continental Shelf from Monday, 12 to Friday, 16 March 2018, from 10:00 to 13:00 and from 15:00 to 18:00, at the Geographic Information System laboratories of the Division for Ocean Affairs and the Law of the Sea (DC2 Building, 4th Floor).

Economic and Social Council
2018 session

Tuesday, 20 February 2018

15:00 to 18:00	Expert-level meeting (closed)	Conference Room 1

The Permanent Mission of Belgium will convene an expert-level discussion on the repositioning of the United Nations development system, in the context of the quadrennial comprehensive policy review (QCPR) of operational activities for development of the United Nations system, in preparation for the operational activities for development segment of the Council.

All Member States are invited to attend.

Further information are available on the website of the Council (*click here*), or *click here* or *here*.

Wednesday, 21 February 2018

15:00 to 17:00	Briefing	Economic and Social Council Chamber

Convened by the Vice-President (Saint Vincent and the Grenadines) on the coordination and management meetings of the 2018 session of the Council and on the preparations for its first coordination and management meeting (16 April 2018 to 18 April 2018) (E/2018/1, E/2018/100 and E/2018/2 (to be issued)).

All are invited to attend.

Following the briefing by the Vice-President, the Secretariat will inform delegations of the new ECOSOC Place module in e-deleGATE.

Further information are available on the website of the Council (*click here*); or contact Ms. Maria Theresa Olvida (olvida@un.org).

Thursday, 22 February 2018

15:00 to 18:00	Briefing	Economic and Social Council Chamber

The Vice-President of the Economic and Social Council, His Excellency Marc Pecsteen de Buytswerve (Belgium), will convene a briefing on the repositioning of the United

Nations development system, in preparation for the operational activities for development segment of the Council (*click here*).

All Member States are invited to attend.

Further information are available on the website of the Council (*click here*), or *click here* or *here*.

Operational activities for development segment

Tuesday, 27, Wednesday, 28 February and Thursday, 1 March 2018

10:00 to 13:00 [webcast] Economic and Social Council Chamber

15:00 to 18:00 [webcast] Economic and Social Council Chamber

Operational activities of the United Nations for international development cooperation

Follow-up to policy recommendations of the General Assembly and the Council

Reports of the Executive Boards of the United Nations Development Programme/United Nations Population Fund/United Nations Office for Project Services, the United Nations Children's Fund, the United Nations Entity for Gender Equality and the Empowerment of Women

South-South cooperation for development

The Economic and Social Council will hold the operational activities for development segment (item 7 as a whole) of its 2018 agenda (E/2018/1).

The operational activities for development segment will be chaired by the Vice-President of the Council (Belgium).

Additional information on the operational activities for development segment is available on the website of the Council (*click here*).

For further details, please contact the Office for ECOSOC Support and Coordination, Department of Economic and Social Affairs (bonacito@un.org, patelk@un.org).

The general discussion of agenda item 7 as a whole will be held on 28 February 2018, from 16:30 to 18:00, and on 1 March 2018, from 11:30 to 13:00.

The time limit set for statements during the general discussion is 5 minutes for speakers on behalf of groups and 3 minutes for individual delegations.

Requests for inscription on the list of speakers should be submitted through the ECOSOC e-Speakers module in e-deleGATE (*click here*). An automated e-mail acknowledgement will be sent within one hour of receipt of the request for inscription.

Intergovernmental organizations and the United Nations system, including funds, programmes, specialized agencies and regional commissions wishing to inscribe on the list of speakers should send, in writing, the full name and title of the speaker to the Office of the Secretary of the Council (laabas@un.org).

For inclusion in the list of participants, the names of representatives and alternates attending the segment should be registered through the ECOSOC e-List of Participants module in e-deleGATE (*click here*).

Delegations are advised that only one list of participants will be issued at the conclusion of the 2018 session of the Council.

Delegations wishing to circulate their statements electronically through the PaperSmart Portal (*click here*) should send a copy of the statement at least *one hour* in advance of delivery (papersmart2@un.org). PDF format is preferred.

The date of the meeting and the agenda item should be indicated in the heading of the statement and in the subject line of the e-mail. The statements will be posted on the PaperSmart portal after delivery.

Delegations are kindly reminded to provide 30 hard copies of the text for the technical services no later than one hour before delivery of the statement. For more information, please *click here*.

Statistical Commission
Briefings

Wednesday, 21 February 2018

13:15 to 14:30 Conference Room 11

The Statistics Division of the Department of Economic and Social Affairs will provide a briefing for permanent missions (E/CN.3/2018/1 and E/CN.3/2018/L.1).

Thursday, 22 February 2018

13:15 to 14:30 [webcast] Conference Room 11

The Statistics Division of the Department of Economic and Social Affairs will provide a briefing for civil society organizations (E/CN.3/2018/1 and E/CN.3/2018/L.1).

Tuesday, 6 March 2018

10:00 to 13:00 [webcast] . Conference Room 4

The Statistical Commission will hold its forty-ninth substantive session from Tuesday, 6 March 2018, to Friday, 9 March 2018 (E/CN.3/2018/1 and E/CN.3/2018/L.1).

The opening meeting will take place on Tuesday, 6 March 2018 at 10:30, in Conference Room 4.

The Statistics Division of the Department of Economic and Social Affairs will provide a briefing for civil society organizations.

The Statistics Division of the Department of Economic and Social Affairs will provide a briefing for permanent missions.

Representatives of States members of the Commission, who are entitled to travel expenses coverage by the United Nations, are requested to kindly complete and submit to the secretariat, as soon as possible, the forms distributed in this regard.

Delegations wishing to attend the session and to be included in the list of participants are kindly requested to communicate the composition of their delegations to the secretariat of the Commission.

Further information on the session can be obtained from the website of the Commission (*click here*), or by contacting the Statistics Division (Mr. Irfan Soomro (soomroi@un.org), Mr. Gerard Cianciulli (cianciulli@un.org), Ms. Li Wang (wangl@un.org), and Mr. Victor Leu (leu@un.org)).

Commission on the Status of Women
Sixty-second session

Monday, 12 March 2018

10:00 to 13:00 General Assembly Hall

Opening meeting

Additional information on the work of the Commission can be found on its website.

Members, as well as observers, are requested to register the names of representatives, alternate representatives and advisers through the e-List of Participants module on the e-deleGATE portal, by 10:00 on Wednesday, 28 February 2018.

Requests for inscription from permanent missions and observer States to the list of speakers for the general discussion of agenda item 3 should be sent through the e-Speakers module of the e-deleGATE portal starting at 10:00 on Thursday, 22 February 2018.

Intergovernmental organizations, entities that have observer status with the General Assembly, United Nations system, including funds, programmes, specialized agencies and regional commissions wishing to inscribe with the list of speakers are kindly requested to contact the secretariat of the Commission in writing.

The Commission will hold 4 ministerial round tables under the priority theme in the afternoon of Monday, 12 March 2018 and 2 high-level interactive dialogues as part of its ministerial segment in the morning and afternoon of Tuesday, 13 March 2018, in parallel to the general discussion.

There will be no established lists of speakers for all of the interactive dialogues, including the ministerial round tables.

Delegations are requested to send their expressions of interest through the e-Speakers module of the e-deleGATE portal starting at 10:00, on Thursday, 22 February 2018, but no later than Tuesday, 27 February 2018.

Delegations are invited to email their statements one hour in advance of delivery for circulation via PaperSmart services.

As requested in relevant resolutions, the reports by the relevant special procedures of the Human Rights Council are brought to the attention of the Commission on the Status of Women at its sixty-second session (E/CN.6/2018/1, E/CN.6/2018/1/Add.1 and E/CN.6/2018/5).

Further information on the session can be obtained from the website of the Commission (*click here*), OHCHR website (*click here*) or by contacting (Ms. Maria Isabel Alejandrino (for IGOs, UN system to inscribe (alejandrino@un.org; 917-367-4422). For Papersmart Services (papersmart3@un.org).

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Other meetings

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Monday, 19 February 2018

Arab Group (First Committee matters)

15:00 to 17:00 Closed meeting Conference Room 5

Press conferences

Press Briefing Room (S-0237) [webcast]

For the complete list of press conferences, please click on the link below *www.un.org/sg/spokesperson/confschedule.asp*.

Forthcoming informal meetings

The agenda of the seventy-second session of the General Assembly is contained in documents A/72/251, A/72/251/Add.1, A/72/252 or A/72/252/Add.1. The meetings under this header are closed.

General Assembly

Informal consultations on the resolution entitled "Problems arising from the accumulation of conventional ammunition stockpiles in surplus" (under agenda item 99 (u)) (convened by the Permanent Mission of Germany)

Tuesday, 20 February 2018

10:00 to 13:00 Conference Room 4

Informal consultations on the draft resolution entitled "Cooperation between the United Nations and the International Fund for Saving the Aral Sea" (under agenda item 19) (convened by the Permanent Mission of Turkmenistan)

Tuesday, 20 February 2018

11:30 to 13:00 Conference Room 9

Thursday, 22 February 2018

11:30 to 13:00 Conference Room 9

Informal consultations on the draft resolution entitled "Development of a Global Pact for the Environment" (under agenda item 14) (convened by the Permanent Mission of France)

Wednesday, 21 February 2018

15:00 to 18:00 Conference Room 11

Forthcoming other meetings

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Seminar on "Humanitarian Negotiation and International Mediation: Building Bridges" (co-organized by the Permanent Mission of Belgium, the Department of Political Affairs, the International Committee of the Red Cross (ICRC) and the Centre of Competence in Humanitarian Negotiation)

Tuesday, 20 February 2018

10:00 to 13:00 Conference Room 2

All are invited. For further information, please contact the Permanent Mission of Belgium (jean-francois.brackman@diplobel.fed.be).

Event on the theme "Science for Water" (A/RES/71/222) (organized by the European Union Delegation to the United Nations)

Tuesday, 20 February 2018

13:15 to 14:30 Conference Room 5

All are invited. For further information, please contact Ms. Rosalinda Seldowitz, European Union Delegation (rosalinda.seldowitz@eeas.europa.eu).

Special event entitled "Workers on the Move: the Quest for Social Justice" (on the occasion of the World Day of Social Justice (A/RES/62/10) (co-organized by the Permanent Mission of Kyrgyzstan and the International Labour Organization (ILO))

Tuesday, 20 February 2018

13:15 to 14:30 Conference Room 8

All are invited. For further information, please contact Ms. Jessica Pak, ILO (pak@ilo.org).

Event on the theme "Optional Protocol to the Convention on the Rights of the Child on the involvement of children in armed conflict (OPAC) turns 18" (A/RES/54/263) (co-organized by the Permanent Missions of Belgium, Canada, Colombia, France and Sierra Leone, the United Nations Children's Fund (UNICEF) and Child Soldiers International)

Wednesday, 21 February 2018

09:00 to 13:00	Conference Room 2
13:00 to 15:00	Conference Room 2
15:00 to 18:00	Conference Room 2
09:00 to 13:00	Conference Room 5
13:00 to 15:00	Conference Room 5
15:00 to 18:00	Conference Room 5

All are invited. For further information, please contact Ms. Hiba Qaraman, Child Soldiers International (hqaraman@child-soldiers.org).

Event entitled "Ending the Detention of Migrant and Refugee Children: Best Interest Determination and Alternatives to Detention" (A/RES/71/1) (co-organized by the Permanent Observer Mission of the Holy See, the International Catholic Migration Commission, Caritas Internationalis, the Center for Migration Studies and the United States Conference of Catholic Bishops)

Wednesday, 21 February 2018

13:15 to 14:30 Conference Room 12

All are invited. For further information, please contact the Permanent Observer Mission of the Holy See (office@holyseemission.org; 212-370-7885); to register please *click here*.

Open-ended informal consultations on the "Third Review Conference of States (RevCon3) to Review Progress Made in the Implementation of the Programme of Action to Prevent, Combat and Eradicate the Illicit Trade in Small Arms and Light Weapons in All Its Aspects" (A/RES/72/57) (organized by the Office for Disarmament Affairs (ODA))

Wednesday, 21 February 2018

15:00 to 18:00 Conference Room 12

For further information, please contact Ms. Katja Boettcher (boettcher@un.org; 917-367-7003).

Parliamentary Hearing entitled "Towards a global compact for safe, orderly and regular migration: A parliamentary perspective" (A/RES/65/123) (co-organized by the Inter-Parliamentary Union (IPU) and the Office of the President of the General Assembly)

Thursday, 22 February 2018

09:45 to 13:00	Trusteeship Council Chamber
14:30 to 18:00	Trusteeship Council Chamber

Friday, 23 February 2018

09:45 to 13:00	Trusteeship Council Chamber

14:30 to 18:00 Trusteeship Council Chamber

All are invited. For further information, please contact IPU (ny-office@ipu.org).

Briefing to the Member States on the theme "Maximizing Finance for Development" (A/RES/72/203) (organized by the World Bank Group, in collaboration with the Office of the President of the General Assembly)

Thursday, 22 February 2018

13:15 to 14:30 Conference Room 2

For further information, please contact Ms. Punjanit Leagnavar (pleagnavar@worldbank.org).

Group of 77 (at the ambassadorial level)

Thursday, 22 February 2018

15:00 to 18:00 Closed meeting Conference Room 2

Informal dialogue on "The progress of the Inter-Agency Task Force on Financing for Development in preparing its 2018 report" (A/RES/69/313) (organized by the Department of Economic and Social Affairs (DESA))

Friday, 23 February 2018

13:15 to 14:30 Conference Room 5

All are invited. For further information, please contact Mr. Peter Chowla, Financing for Development Office (chowla@un.org, 212-963-8618); or *click here*.

Group of Latin American and Caribbean States (monthly meeting)

Monday, 26 February 2018

15:00 to 18:00 Closed meeting Conference Room 1

Briefing for Member States and NGO on organizational matters, logistics and NGO participation related to the fifty-first session of the Commission on Population and Development (organized by Population Division, Department of Economic and Social Affairs (DESA))

Tuesday, 27 February 2018

15:00 to 16:00 Conference Room 5

Briefing on the reports of the Secretary-General prepared for the fifty-first session of the Commission on Population and Development (organized by Population Division, the Department of Economic and Social Affairs (DESA))

Wednesday, 28 February 2018

15:00 to 17:00 Conference Room 11

Non-Aligned Movement (monthly meeting) (at the ambassadorial level)

Wednesday, 28 February 2018

15:00 to 18:00 Closed meeting Conference Room 1

Event entitled "World Wildlife Day: Big Cats - Predators Under Threat" (on the occasion of the World Wildlife day (3 March 2018) (A/RES/68/205)) (co-organized by the Permanent Missions of Gabon, Germany, Kyrgyzstan and Thailand, and UNDP, CITES, UNEP, UNODC, African Parks, Panthera, WCS and WWF)

Friday, 2 March 2018

10:00 to 13:00 Economic and Social Council Chamber

For further information, please contact Ms. Eva Gurria, UNDP (eva.gurria@undp.org); to register *click here*.

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